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SHEFFLER UPDATE – JULY 2022

WOMAN ENRICHMENT SEMINARS: *Responsibility In Marriage*

The team from Christian Leadership Training Institute completed a seven week tour in northern Ghana holding seventeen two-day **Women Enrichment Seminars**. The team consisted of Godfred & Emelia Mintah and Francis & Georgina Afrifa-Konadu. The churches in this area are mostly small rural congregations. A total of 607 participated in the seminars. Emelia and Georgina did most of the speaking. Francis organized the tour and Godfred was the team leader. The topic for this year's seminar was ***Responsibility In Marriage***. This was divided into two subtopics: *Christian Women as Wives, How to Manage and Resolve Conflict in Christian Marriage*.



The influence of *Modernism and Materialism* are causing marriage partners to stray away from the purpose and responsibility of marriage. Marriage partners must be carefully chosen. Approaching marriage with a Christian world view will bring blessings into the marriage. The guiding principles of Ephesians 5:21-33 will bring respect and love into the relationship. The guidelines of Christian love found in 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 will bring peace and joy to a marriage.

No matter how hard you try, there will always be some conflict between marriage partners. Communicating with each other is one of the keys to overcoming conflicts. Conflicts often come from bad attitudes which must be overcome with Christian love. Marriage partners must learn sacrificial love for each other just as Jesus loved the Church – Ephesians 5:22-25. A marriage approached on Christian principles will bring Christian maturity to both partners.

MKPANI WATER WELL COMMISSIONED - NIGERIA



The new well at the remote village of Mkpani was commissioned on July 23. The original plan was to use solar panels to power the pump. However, because of the greatly increased cost of solar panels, a generator was purchased to power the pump.

Community members and leaders expressed joy and satisfaction with the project. This act of love for the community has become a witness to the unsaved. The leaders and members of the Mkpani Christian Church are overwhelmed with joy and gratitude. We thank International Disaster Emergency Services (IDES) for their generous donation for this project.

Men's Week was held in the all churches July 11-17. Seven challenges that men encounter were covered: Reject Passivity,

**Accept Responsibility, Lead Courageously, Love Unconditionally,
Live with integrity, Serve humbly, Invest in Eternity.**

BOB WILL TRAVEL TO GHANA IN SEPTEMBER

Covid restrictions are lifted for entry into Ghana. Lord willing, Bob will travel to Ghana on September 3 and return on September 20. The trip will include attendance at the annual board meeting of Christian Leadership Training Institute, meetings with the church planters and visits to some of the TEE classes.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS:

1. Thank God for the successful seventeen Women Enrichment seminars in Ghana.
2. Thank God for the well at Mkpani.
3. Thank God for marriage.
4. Ask God to bless the marriages of Christians in Africa so they can be a witness to the unreached.
5. Ask God to bless the community at Mkpani with good health.
6. Ask God to open the hearts of the unsaved in the Mkpani community.
7. Ask God to bless Bob's trip to Ghana in September.